Dear parents
Welcome back to a new school year. The children have settled back into school life very well and we have had a terrific start. We are excited about the year ahead and look forward to the great activities we have planned so stay tuned!

**STEFANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM**

We are thrilled to begin the Kitchen and Garden sessions weekly! This program relies heavily on volunteers and cannot run without your support. The more volunteers we have, the greater the enjoyment, learning experience and smoother running of the program. It is a wonderful learning opportunity for all and we highly recommend you take the time to be involved.

Below are the details of your child’s Kitchen and Garden sessions. Please see Nadia or Marion during the Kitchen Induction or at another time to organise when you will be available. We would like to thank you in advance for assisting in the running of this fantastic and beneficial program!

Mondays
Garden 9:00-10:00 3L
Kitchen 10:00-11:30 3L

Garden 10:00-11:00 3K
Kitchen 12:00-1:30 3K

Many thanks! Natasha Larocque & Hayley Kellahan

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**TERM 1 ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

**Literacy** Students will start to use Writer’s Notebook, including Exposition Reports. LSCWC, introduction to joint handwriting and Literature Circle Groups will also be introduced.

**Numeracy** Measuring using formal units, creating and following simple maps, place value, fractions, decimals, giving accurate change, multiplication, division, addition & subtraction.

**History** This term’s history unit is called ‘Change And Continuity Over Time’. It focuses on the similarities and differences in developments in Australian Communities (local, regional or state/territory) over the last 250 years.

**Science** This term’s unit is called ‘Changing Face Of The Earth’. This topic is about the features on the surface of the earth. Students will learn about different types of rocks and how they are formed. They will study different types of rocks and soil, and learn about processes of weathering and erosion.

**Homework** Please support your child during homework time. In Year 3, we focus largely on responsibility; children are expected to record their reading, return their signed diaries and completed homework on the dates specified by their teacher. We would like all children using their diaries daily as this will ensure key dates, homework and communication is recorded and signed when necessary.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Every Tuesday – Homework & signed diary due
SAKG Induction – Wednesday 5th February 11:00am
Parent Info Night – Tuesday 11th February 6:00-6:45pm or 7:00-7:45pm
Labour Day – Monday 10th March
Movie Night – Friday 21st March
NAB Celebration – Monday 31st March
School photos - Last day of Term 1 - Friday 4th April